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WATER QUALITY OFFICE
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December 31, 1970

MEMORANDUM

TO : Regional Directors

FROM : Assistant Commissioner
Enforcement and Standards Compliance

SUBJECT: State Legislative Action
(State Laws Passed During 1970)

The following States have enacted pollution control laws during 1970:

Alaska	Louisiana	Pennsylvania
California	Maine	Puerto Rico
Colorado	Maryland	Rhode Island
Delaware	Massachusetts	South Carolina
Florida	Michigan	Tennessee
Georgia	Mississippi	Utah
Hawaii	New Hampshire	Vermont
Idaho	New Jersey	Virginia
Illinois	New Mexico	Washington
Iowa	New York	West Virginia
Kansas	Ohio	Wisconsin
Kentucky	Oklahoma	

Murray Stein

New Laws

ALASKA

S 303 To create a Department of Environmental Affairs which will conduct ecological studies, advise State agencies on the quality of the environment and promote pollution control as a regulatory agency.

Approved June 23, 1970

S 377 To provide for the payment of grants and loans for water supply and sewerage systems up to a certain percentage of the FWQA grant.

Approved May 15, 1970

S 391 Amends the definition "pollution" by deleting the words "the results of activities connected with gravel-washing plants and placer mining operations are not pollution".

Approved May 21, 1970

S 441 To provide for the issuance of general obligation bonds in the amount of $8,000,000 for the purpose of acquiring, constructing and equipping and making other capital improvements for water supply and sewerage systems.

Approved May 26, 1970

S 536 To prohibit water pollution by discharging from vessels untreated ballast or tank-cleaning waste water in excess of 100 parts per million of oily residue.

Approved June 25, 1970

H 88 Relates to the rules and regulations to be issued by the Department of Health and Welfare in regard to standards for the collection and disposal of garbage, refuse, and other discarded solid materials.

Approved April 24, 1970

HJR 106 To urge the President and Congress of the United States to establish a National Institute of Environmental Science to initiate a continuing program of research to assure a quality environment.

H 505 To establish the Village Safe Water Act to provide safe water and hygienic sewage disposal facilities in villages in the State.

Approved June 10, 1970

New Laws

CALIFORNIA

S 21 To amend Section 65302 of the Government Code, including general location and extent of the use of the land for solid and liquid waste disposal facilities.

Approved April 28, 1970. Chapter 65, Laws 1970

SJR 33 To memorialize the Bureau of Reclamation to establish and guarantee the minimum water flow for the lower American River necessary to protect and maintain the recreational and aesthetic value of the river.

Adopted August 21, 1970

SCR 65 To study all facets of California's participation in Federal flood control and watershed protection projects.

Adopted July 27, 1970

S 215 To request the Senate Committee on Water Resources to review the past and current policies and practices of water resources management in California.

Adopted July 1, 1970

S 443 To include sewage corporations within the definition of public utility.

Approved September 17, 1970. Chapter 1109, Laws 1970

S 514 To permit joint power agreement agencies to issue revenue bonds for sanitary sewage facilities.

Approved July 14, 1970

S 546 To authorize the State Department of Public Health to make population, public health, and environmental studies.

Approved September 15, 1970

S 713 To post against trespassing the following: a reservoir, dam, generating plant, receiving station, distributing station, transformer, water well, aqueduct, or any other structure for producing, storing, diverting, conserving, treating or conveying water.

Approved July 16, 1970

CALIFORNIA

S 787 — To add Sections 4026, 4027, and 4028 to the Health and Safety Code requiring any person who furnishes or supplies water to a user for domestic purposes within the State of California must supply an analysis of such water to the State Department of Public Health.

Approved September 17, 1970

S 844 — To define "waste" for purposes of the Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act as including waste placed within containers of whatever nature prior to, and for purposes of, disposal.

Approved June 15, 1970

S 1107 — To extend the life of the Environmental Quality Control Council to the end of the 1972 regular session.

Approved September 15, 1970

S 1268 — To put on the November 3 General Election Ballot a $60 million bond proposal for the development of recreation and fish and wildlife facilities in connection with State water projects.

Approved August 21, 1970

AJR 10 — To memorialize President and Congress to expedite introduction and passage of authorization and funding for feasibility level studies for the Salton Sea.

Adopted May 1, 1970

AJR 37 — To memorialize the President to direct the responsible federal officials in charge of federal installations polluting the waters to comply with the California regional water quality control board standards so that the existing pollution be corrected at the earliest possible time.

Adopted July 31, 1970

AJR 38 — To memorialize the President to direct federal officials to submit environmental impact reports to the Legislature regarding certain federal programs.

Adopted August 21, 1970

CALIFORNIA

AJR 47 To memorialize the President to ensure protection for the environment.

Adopted June 30, 1970

AJR 60 To memorialize the President and the Congress of the U.S. not to request reimposition of a federal excise tax on new automobiles, so that this tax may be used by the States to preserve, protect and enhance the quality of our environment.

Adopted August 19, 1970

ACR 65 To request governor to set forth specified information in budget with respect to funds related to environmental protection and enhancement.

Adopted June 22, 1970

ACR 83 To request each California regional water quality control board to submit a progress report on the activities of such board under the Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act to the Legislature.

Adopted May 20, 1970

ACR 132 To request State agencies to submit environmental impact reports concerning the environmental damage caused by specified State projects.

Adopted August 21, 1970

A 133 To request the correction of specified State installations which are not in compliance with water quality requirements.

Adopted July 20, 1970

A 183 To request the State Water Resources Control Board to analyze the need for a comprehensive water quality monitoring program.

Adopted July 29, 1970

A 645 Relates to the Orange County Water District and its powers to protect the quality of common water supplies of such district.

Approved May 25, 1970

CALIFORNIA

A 718 — To amend Section 13320 of, and to add Division 7.5 to, the Water Code, which says that upon a petition by any aggrieved person or upon its own motion, the State board may at any time review any action or failure to act by a regional board.

Approved September 14, 1970

A 836 — Changes basis of calculation of interest rate to be charged loans made by State Water Resources Board for construction of water pollution control facilities.

Approved September 15, 1970

A 921 — To add Section 13301.1 to the Water Code, and to amend Section 5460 of the Health and Safety Code, rendering to persons to whom a cease and desist order is issued all possible assistance in making available current information on successful and economic water quality control programs.

Approved September 19, 1970. Chapter 1464, Laws 1970

A 992 — To provide for the appropriation of water fees.

Approved September 19, 1970. Chapter 1476, Laws 1970

A 993 — To provide for loan commitments with the Department of Water Resources.

Approved September 14, 1970. Chapter 992, Laws 1970

A 1050 — To amend, add, and repeal various Sections of the Education Code relating to conservation education and to provide for grants for conservation education.

Approved September 20, 1970. Chapter 1616, Laws 1970

A 1247 — To add a chapter to the Public Utilities Code directing the Resources Agency to draft a 20 year plan governing sites of power plants, containing suggestions pertaining to environment and types of fuel to be used.

Approved September 19, 1970. Chapter 1533, Laws 1970

A 1251 — To amend sections of the Water Code to provide that no person shall initiate any new discharge of waste or make any material change in any discharge prior to the filing of the report required by Section 13260 to the regional water quality control board.

Approved September 14, 1970. Chapter 918, Laws 1970

A 1279 — To require lands commission to turn over revenues from public lands to the Water Quality Control Fund.

Approved September 14, 1970. Chapter 920, Laws 1970

CALIFORNIA

A 1292 — To exempt surplus water of water supply used for industrial, as well as domestic and irrigation, purposes from regulation by Public Utilities Commission when surplus is sold or delivered for specified purposes.

Approved July 9, 1970

A 1350 & A 1351 — To ratify and set forth a California-Nevada Interstate Water Compact creating a five-member Californio-Nevada Compact Commission to administer its provisions; providing for powers and duties of the commission; allocating certain water rights, and rights incidental to the division of water, between California and Nevada. Law will become effective November 23, 1970.

Approved September 19, 1970. Chapter 1481, Laws 1970

A 1456 — To provide for issuance of State bonds for the planning of facilities for the disposal of wastes.

Approved June 28, 1970

A 1572 — To reduce the penalty for failure to pay privilege taxes imposed by the article on packaging and processing licenses and taxes for failure to pay taxes due under the fish and game code.

Approved September 16, 1970. Chapter 1262, Laws 1970

A 1754 — To include sanitary sewer facilities within provisions of Subdivision Map Act relating to construction and financing of storm sewers, drains, and other facilities.

Approved August 6, 1970

CALIFORNIA

A 2045 — To make various legislative findings and to set out detailed environmental plans and proposals that are to be set out by the agencies, boards, and commissions.

Approved September 18, 1970. Chapter 1433, Laws 1970

A 2350 — To amend Sections 13320, 13330, and 13331 of the Water Code relating to petitioning the State boards for failure to act in abating waste discharges.

Approved September 14, 1970. Chapter 956, Laws 1970

A 2516 — To add Section 5655 to the Fish and Game Code authorizing the department to clean up or abate the effects of any petroleum product deposited in the waters of the State and to recover costs incurred as a result of such cleanup.

Approved September 16, 1970. Chapter 1224, Laws 1970

COLORADO

S 11 To establish a Colorado Land.Use Commission and provide for the classification of all lands as either urban, rural, agricultural or conservation as well as manage the State's natural resources.

Approved April 10, 1970

S 35 To provide that any person who violates any cease and desist order issued by the Water Pollution Commission shall be guilty of a misdemeanor. To provide penalty for violation of this Act.

Approved March 10, 1970

S 40 To amend Chapter 89, Colorado Revised Statutes 1963, to provide for local improvement and service districts, and provide for bonded indebtedness, election procedures and officers thereof.

Approved April 2, 1970

S 45 To provide penalties for polluting any waters of the State by radioactive, toxic or other wastes and by boat and camper wastes. Effective July 1, 1970.

Approved April 2, 1970

S 49 To require licenses, permits or other written authorizations for the construction of septic tanks.

Approved March 10, 1970

H 1015 The State of Colorado has given its consent for the acquisition by the United States of such lands in the State as in the opinion of the Secretary of Agriculture of the United States may be needed for stream flow protection, production of timber, erosion control and other related purposes. Effective March 6, 1970.

Approved March 6, 1970

H 1028 To establish the powers and duties of water judges, water referees, and water clerks in order that the judicial administration and enforcement provisions of the "Water Right Determination and Administration Act of 1969 may be effectively carried out. Regulations are also specified for applications for water rights or changes of such rights.

Approved February 3, 1970

DELAWARE

SJR 13 — To request the Governor to make a study of the terminal facilities, navigational problems, loading and unloading operations in Delaware Bay as it relates to pollution control.

Approved May 7, 1970

S 611 — To authorize the Public Service Commission to regulate rates and charges for water and electricity supplied non-residents.

Approved July 22, 1970

S 700 — To provide for omnibus amendments and corrections relating to the Department of Health and Social Services.

Approved June 25, 1970

S 729 — To require the establishment of county plans for solid waste management; appropriating funds for planning and empowering the Division of Physical Health of the Department of Health and Social Services to administer such funds.

Approved June 26, 1970

H 657 — To provide for the sanitary protection of all water supplies which are furnished to and used by the public; and further provide for the flouridation of all water supplies which are furnished to and used by the public.

Approved July 23, 1970

H 785 — To provide for the reorganization of the Delaware Planning Act, the Personnel Commission, the Personnel Director, the Capital Investment Fund and the Budget Commission and to establish the Council on State Planning.

Approved June 22, 1970

H 822 — To authorize the State of Delaware to borrow money to be used for a pilot system for reclamation of solid waste.

Approved June 22, 1970

DELAWARE

H 827 To provide for omnibus amendments and corrections relating to the Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control as provided in Title 29, Delaware Code, Chapter 80.

Approved July 23, 1970

H 864 To change amount of appropriations and use of appropriated money in Kent County for soil and water conservation districts to reflect changes in governmental units affected by State Reorganization.

Approved July 23, 1970

FLORIDA

S 300 To increase the penalties and fines from a maximum of one thousand dollars to a maximum of five thousand dollars for pollution of the air or water of the State.

Approved July 7, 1970

S 301 Relates to air and water pollution control amending section 403.05(5) of the Florida Statutes changing the quorum requirements for the Florida Air and Water Pollution Commission from four (4) members to three (3) members.

Law without approval, June 3, 1970

S 302 To amend the Florida Air and Water Pollution Act by providing additional grounds for injunctive relief where human health or safety are endangered. The director shall institute proceedings in a court of competent jurisdiction to enforce this act.

Approved June 21, 1970

S 305 To direct the control, eradication and regulation of noxious aquatic weeds. The Department of Natural Resources shall promote, develop and support research activities directed toward the more effective and efficient control of aquatic plants.

Law without approval. Effective June 20, 1970

S 378 To amend section 403.141, Florida Statutes setting fines for fish killed by pollution.

Approved June 21, 1970

S 414 To include small watershed projects within the authority of flood control districts.

Law without approval. Effective July 1, 1970

S 442 To establish a State wilderness system; expressing legislative intent; providing definitions; providing for management thereof.

Approved July 5, 1970

FLORIDA

S 450 — To give authority to the Department of Natural Resources to act in preventing and controlling oil discharges and other pollution and to provide for the recovery of costs of cleaning up spills.

Approved June 30, 1970

S 588 — To amend Florida Statutes by adding provisions establishing enforcement procedure for temporary and non-continuing violations, and declaring that violations of the provisions shall be a misdemeanor.

Effective October 1, 1970

S 1469 — To authorize, create and establish an industrial development authority in each county with the approval of the board of County Commissioners for pollution control improvements.

Law without approval, June 27, 1970

S 1565 — To create the Delespine Water Conservation District in Brevard County; providing for powers of the district, subject to approval of the Central and Southern Florida Flood Control District and the department of air and water pollution control.

Law without approval, July 8, 1970

S 1572 — To provide for the creation of water and sewer districts within Volusia County, Florida; to provide for the construction, acquisition or purchase of water and sewer systems and improvements; to provide for optional methods of financing such construction, acquisition and purchase by the issuance of revenue bonds or general obligation bonds or assessement bonds or any combination thereof for the cost of operation and maintenance of the district.

Law without approval, July 8, 1970

H 3188 — Relates to the sale of pesticides by defining persistent pesticide and relating their use.

Approved May 26, 1970

H 3828 — Relates to franchises in regard to garbage collection.

Approval date unknown

FLORIDA

H 3853 Authorizes bonds to finance the construction of water pollution control and abatement facilities to be operated by the State or its political subdivision.

Adopted June 4, 1970

H 3854 To establish the Florida Water Pollution Control and Sewage Treatment Plant Grant Act of 1970 setting up a State water pollution control fund administered by the Air and Water Pollution Control Board to provide grants to local agencies for sewage treatment projects eligible for federal funds.

Law without approval, July 1, 1970

H 3882 To establish the Florida Environmental Inventory Council; providing that said council shall be advisory to the Department of Natural Resources.

Law without approval, July 2, 1970

H 4381 To empower the Acme Drainage District to construct and maintain water plants and systems to produce, purify and distribute water for consumption; to construct and maintain sewer systems.

Effective May 21, 1970

H 4434 To create the Florida Keys Aqueduct Authority to succeed the Florida Keys Aqueduct Commission, which is abolished. The authority which may enter into agreements with other public agencies of the State and Federal governments shall supply and distribute an adequate water supply for the Florida Keys.

Law without approval. Effective July 1, 1970.

H 4523 To authorize the issuance of State bonds to finance water pollution control facilities; provides that the facilities to be financed shall be determined and approved by the Department of Air and Water Pollution Control.

Approved July 1, 1970

FLORIDA

H 4604 To create within the Department of Natural Resources the Florida Coastal Coordinating Council for the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the State by conducting and coordinating a continuous program of research into problems relating to a coastal zone.

Law without approval, July 1, 1970

H 4727 To create the Tampa Bay Conservation and Development Study Commission.

Law without approval, July 2, 1970

H 5038 To create a joint committee on South Florida to study the possibilities of regional organization in the South Florida area in order to assure the planning, growth and development of the area and to conserve the environmental resources.

Law without approval, July 8, 1970

H 5155 To provide that section preventing the installation and maintenance of portable water softening units by licensed operators of water softening services shall not apply to the City of Jacksonville.

Approved June 24, 1970

H 5232 To authorize the County Commission to create an environmental control board; to provide prohibitions against environmental degradation; to make violation of this act and rules and regulations a misdemeanor.

Law without approval, July 1, 1970

H 5449 To create a consolidated charter government for Escambia County and the cities of Pensacola and South Flomaton; providing general and urban service districts.

Law without approval, July 2, 1970

GEORGIA

HR 726 A proposed constitutional amendment would authorize the General Assembly to provide by law that the governing authority of Paulding County may establish and administer sewage districts within the bounds of the county and levy taxes and issue bonds therefor within such districts.

Approved March 20, 1970

HR 987 A resolution creating the Environmental Control Study Committee, to be composed of seven members of the House of Representatives, to be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Adopted February 20, 1970

H 1100 To amend "General Appropriation Act", approved April 28, 1969 (Georgia Laws 1969, p. 880), so as to change the appropriations and provisions relative to the fiscal years 1969-70 and 1970-71.

Approved February 21, 1970. Act 775, Laws 1970

H 1342 To create the Altamaha River Basin Commission for the purpose of encouraging and promoting the expansion and development of the full economic, industrial and recreational potential of the Basin and its tributaries.

Approved March 23, 1970. Chapter 1270, Laws 1970

H 1497 To prohibit the littering of public or private property; to provide for the enforcement of this Act by law enforcement officers of the State, and to provide penalty for violation of this Act.

Approved March 20, 1970

H 1522 To incorporate the City of Savannah Beach, Tybee Island; to create a new charter for said City; to provide the corporate boundaries of said City.

Approved February 20, 1970. Chapter 772, Laws 1970

HAWAII

SCR 63 To request that the regular session of 1970 legislature recess from April 7, 1970, until April 14, 1970.

Approved April 7, 1970

SR 80 To request that the Governor establish an Office of Environmental Quality Control.

Adopted March 17, 1970

S 105 A resolution requesting the various departments responsible for the prevention of water pollution, to enforce all laws, rules, and regulations applicable to correcting and preventing the polluted condition of the Kapalama Canal.

Adopted April 15, 1970

S 986 To allow a tax deduction to every person with respect to the amortization of the amortizable basis of any certified water or air pollution control facility in the manner, for the period and to the extent set forth in Section 169 of the Internal Revenue Code. The deduction, however, is available only with respect to a facility that is completed or acquired by the taxpayer before January 1, 1975.

Effective January 1, 1970

S 1132 To create an Office of Environmental Quality Control placed within the Office of the Governor and serve in an advisory capacity.

Approved June 22, 1970

S 1293 To appropriate funds for a study relating to public economic incentives to improve environmental quality.

Approved June 22, 1970

H 1291 To amend Hawaii Revised Statutes to authorize the Director of Health to regulate and control all waters within the State to prevent any solid, liquid or gaseous substances from polluting the waters and creating a nuisance or which render such waters harmful or injurious to public health, safety or welfare including harm to public water supplies and aquatic life. Violation of this law is punishable by a fine.

Approved June 22, 1970

IDAHO

S 1402 To amend Chapter 1, Title 39, of the Idaho Code by adding a new section authorizing the State Board of Health to establish and enforce rules and regulations for minimum sanitary standards for the storage, collection, incineration, grinding, disposing or other processing of solid wastes, and for the construction, operation and maintenance of solid waste control systems. Plans for a solid waste disposal site shall be submitted to the Department of Health for its review and approval.

Approved February 17, 1970

S 1434 To require each county within the State to establish, maintain, and operate a site for the disposal of solid wastes. For the purpose of providing funds to operate and maintain such sites, a board of county commissioners may levy a tax not to exceed two mills on the assessed value of the property, collect fees from the users or finance such facilities from current revenues. To provide penalty for violation of this Act.

Approved March 5, 1970

S 1614 Appropriation to Water Resources Board. The sum of $20,000 has been appropriated to the Water Resource Board for the purpose of a feasibility study of the Council Unit program. Another $150,000 has been appropriated solely for the purpose of making an independent economic feasibility study by the Board of the proposed development of the Mountain Home Division of the Southwest Idaho Water Development project. This study shall examine in depth, not only the joint venture proposal as now offered by the Board, but also the feasibility of the joining of other participants or of the State's developing all of the features of the project. This study shall provide the determinants for a conclusion by the legislature as to all of the benefits of the proposed project and who the recipients will be. Effective March 14, 1970.

Approved March 4, 1970

H 497 To authorize the State Board of Health to make grants to municipalities to assist in the construction of sewage treatment works. The Idaho State Board of Health may make payments of 25 percent of the estimated reasonable cost of the project where water quality standards have been established for the waters into which the project discharges and where such action will result in a federal grant of not less than 50 percent of the estimated reasonable cost of the project. To provide for the issuance of general obligation bonds of the State to carry out the provisions of this Act.

Approved March 3, 1970

IDAHO

H 503 To authorize cities to issue coupon bonds for the construction of storm sewers and sanitary sewerage systems.

Approved March 9, 1970

H 510 To require persons leasing State cottage sites to provide sewage disposal facilities when such site improvements are made.

Approved March 14, 1970

H 599 To amend Section 63-105T of the Idaho Code to allow county assessors to determine the exempt portion of facilities used for water or air pollution control.

Approved March 17, 1970

H 627 To authorize the State of Idaho to issue $1,500,000 general obligation coupon bonds to raise funds to meet the cost of water pollution control.

Approved March 14, 1970

ILLINOIS

S 98 A referendum calling for $750,000,000 in antipollution bonds for municipal sewage treatment facilities was approved for the November ballot.

Approved July 2, 1970

S 1448 To enact anti-pollution bond act and repeal pure waters development act.

Approved July 2, 1970

S 1487 To appropriate $20,000 to Commission to Survey and Study Problems Pertaining to Water Pollution and Water Resources.

Approved July 2, 1970

S 4533 To appropriate money to the Department of Public Works and Buildings for water resource improvements in and along the Saline River and tributaries in the Saline Valley Conservancy District.

Approved July 2, 1970

H 3332 To amend Municipal Code provisions regarding Sewer Systems.

Approved May 28, 1970

H 3333 To amend Act in relation to waterworks systems, sewerage systems and combined waterworks and sewerage system.

Approved June 16, 1970

H 3788 To create the Environmental Protection Act and the Environmental Protection Agency which will establish a unified Statewide program, supplemented by private remedies, to restore, protect and enhance the quality of the environment, and to assure that adverse effects upon the environment are fully considered and borne by those who cause them. The Illinois Air Pollution Control Board and the State Sanitary Water Board are abolished and replaced with three new agencies: an Environmental Protection Agency for research, investigation and enforcement as well as negotiation for interstate compacts and other governmental arrangements; a Pollution Control Board, charged with establishing, promulgating and implementing control standards and rules and regulations; and an Illinois Institute for Environmental Quality to advise the agency and the Board in the formulation of regulations and the development of enforcement strategies. Citizens, under the Act, have the right to bring private actions upon written notice against polluters before the Board; increase the penalties for violations; permit the Agency to seal equipment found to be creating pollution without a court order in cases of emergency, and appropriate $9 million for the environmental protection program. The agency shall issue and serve upon the person complained against a written notice, together with a formal complaint, with the person so complained against appearing before the Board.

Approved June 29 1970

ILLINOIS

H 3789 — To appropriate $9,057,800 to the Environmental Protection Agency.

Approved June 29, 1970

H 3790 — To amend Public Utilities Act; removing $3,500,000 limit on tax imposed for administration of act.

Approved June 29, 1970

H 3791 — To permit Illinois Institute for Environmental Quality to receive funds from public utilities fund for studies.

Approved June 29, 1970

H 3792 — To add a Director of Environmental Protection Agency to the interagency committee on pesticides.

Approved June 29, 1970

H 3793
H 3794
H 3799
H 3798, H 3800, H 3811, H 3802, H 3806, H 3807, H 3808, H 3810, H 3823, H 3824, H 3825, H 3826 — Changes reference in various acts to conform to Environmental Protection Act.

Approved June 29, 1970

IOWA

S 1232 To provide for the mandatory establishment of sanitary disposal for the use of the entire population of the State by July 1, 1975.

Approved May 5, 1970

KANSAS

H 1089 To provide for State financial assistance to municipalities for the construction of water pollution control projects benefiting from Federal grants; and authorizing the State Board of Health to adopt certain rules and regulations. Provides that State's contribution shall not exceed 25% of the eligible cost of each project or portions of such projects as qualify.

Approved March 17, 1970.

H 1141 To provide for the planning and regulation of solid waste storage, collection, transportation, processing and disposal systems. Provides that after June 30, 1976, in all counties of the State, it shall be unlawful for any person to operate a solid waste processing facility or a solid waste disposal area of a solid waste management system without first obtaining a permit from the Kansas State Department of Health. To authorize the Department to assist counties and municipalities by administering grants up to 50 percent of the costs of preparing official plans for solid waste management systems.

Approved March 13, 1970

H 1909 Concerning the State Water Resources Board; expenses and allowances of members; amending K.S.A. 1969 Supp. 74-2605 and repealing the existing section.

Approved March 12, 1970

H 1983 To amend K.S.A. 74-2609 to grant the State Water Resources Board the power to acquire property and make contracts to carry out its purposes within certain watershed districts.

Approved March 20, 1970

KENTUCKY

H 299 To grant the power of eminent domain to water associations which supply water to no less than one hundred customers. Effective date June 18, 1970.

Approved March 30, 1970

H 370
S 276 To amend the Kentucky Revised Statutes to add to the Water Pollution Control Commission in the Department of Health three members of the general public who have no connection with services regulated in any way by the commission. Effective June 18, 1970.

Approved March 30, 1970

H 382 To direct the Department of Health not to revoke permits of operators of solid waste disposal sites because they use incinerators.

Approved March 30, 1970

H 384 To amend Section 211.730 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes to permit any person to maintain an action to restrain or enjoin any person, or any city or county providing, or contracting privately for, solid waste disposal facilities from a violation of the statutes.

Approved March 30, 1970

LOUISIANA

SCR 8 To establish a Joint Legislative Committee on Environmental Quality to study all legislation on control of population.

Adopted June 3, 1970

SCR 97 To memorialize Congress to take the necessary action to insure the enactment of legislation pending to provide for Federal grants to local political subdivisions for the purpose of establishing solid waste disposal systems.

Adopted June 25, 1970

S 259 To establish the Louisiana Natural and Scenic Rivers System, to designate rivers or segments thereof for inclusion in the system at its inception, to provide that the system shall be administered by the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission for the preservation or reclamation, etc., of the wilderness qualities, scenic beauties, and ecological regimen of certain free-flowing waters, and for the preservation of natural and physical features and resources found along these waters. Directs that potential natural and scenic river areas be given equal consideration by all local, State and Federal agencies in all water resource planning, and that such potential be discussed, and that aesthetic values as well as monetary values be considered, in all river basin reports and project plans. Prohibits channelization, clearing and snagging, channel realignment and reservoir construction of waters within system.

Law without approval, July 22, 1970

S 277 To set penalty for every person who violates pollution laws and provide for a fine for each offense for each day committed and to repeal Sections 322 and 362 of Title 56 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950.

Law without approved, July 22, 1970

S 278 To increase the penalties for negligently, carelessly or willfully causing pollution of the waters of the State. The Act provides for the recovery of civil damages and authorizes the Attorney General to institute civil cause of action in favor of the State in the district court of the Parish where the damage has occurred or in the district court of the Parish where the State Capitol is located.

Law without approval. Effective July 29, 1970

LOUISIANA

H 73 — To create a State Soil and Water Conservation Committee which will cooperate with U. S. agencies on grants and compacts and will be, with the Soil and Water district the official State agencies for cooperating with the Soil Conservation Service of the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

Law without approval, July 22, 1970

HCR 77 — To establish the Lake Pontchartrain - Lake Maurepas Environmental and Development Study Committee.

Adopted June 24, 1970

H 335 — To prohibit discharge of untreated wastes into Mississippi River, providing civil penalties and injunctive procedure.

Law without approval, July 22, 1970

H 372 — To authorize Bayou LaFourche Fresh Water District to adopt regulations to prevent pollution and to employ its own legal counsel.

Approved July 1, 1970

H 473 — To authorize Jackson Parish Watershed District to levy special taxes and to issue and sell negotiable bonds.

Law without approval, July 22, 1970

H 810 — To thange notice requirements on special assessments for sewerage systems.

Law without approval, July 22, 1970

H 866 — To authorize the State to make grants to any parish or political subdivision to pay a portion of the cost of water pollution control projects.

Approved June 29, 1970

LOUISIANA

H 871 To propose a constitutional amendment authorizing the city of New Orleans to levy an ad valorem tax for 50 years for the construction of sewerage, water and drainage systems.

Adopted July 3, 1970

H 872 To propose a constitutional amendment to fix the rates for private consumers of waters.

Adopted July 3, 1970

H 873 To authorize the lifting of the maximum 6% interest rate on bonds issued by the Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans.

Adopted July 3, 1970

H 1012 Relates to the creation of Environmental Protection Districts in municipalities over 250,000 people and under 450,000.

Law without approval, July 22, 1970

H 1063 Relates to the creation of the Jackson-Bienvelle Parishes Watershed District.

Law without approval, July 22, 1970

H 1179 To amend statutes to provide for drainage improvements by drainage districts through the levy of local or special assessments and the issuance of drainage certificates.

Law without approval, July 22, 1970

H 1204 To authorize Stream Control Commission to make certifications required under Federal Water Pollution Control Act.

Law without approval, July 22, 1970

H 1406 To declare illegal the leaving of trees or treetops in the navigable streams and waters of the State and to provide penalties for violations thereof.

Law without approval, July 22, 1970

H 1635 To create the "Greater Baton Rouge Water Conservation District" providing for powers, functions and purposes, and to study ground water conditions.

Law without approval, July 22, 1970

MARYLAND

SJR 35 To study possibilities for securing scientific and technological information for the General Assembly.

Approved April 22, 1970. Joint Resolution 30, Laws 1970

SJR 42 To request the Department of Natural Resources to pursue discussions with the Federal Government and with adjoining States in order to secure their cooperation in stopping the pollution of Maryland waters.

Approved April 22, 1970. Joint Resolution 34, Laws 1970

SJR 43 Requests the State Department of Health to continue its present study of the sewage problems in the Riverdale and College Park vicinity and consider a moratorium on further construction in that area should the State Department of Health find the present sewage system inadequate to serve the community.

Approved April 22, 1970

S 356 To generally revise the zoning and planning laws of the State.

Approved May 5, 1970

S 382 To create the Maryland Environmental Service as an agency within the Department of Natural Resources to coordinate sewage disposal systems throughout the State by providing waste purification and disposal services. In addition the State has been empowered to license firms discharging wastes into waterways, to require rigid compliance with anti-pollution standards, and to shut down operations found to be violating rules.

Approved April 22, 1970

S 541 To provide for the planning, acquisition, establishment, construction, operation and financing of solid waste disposal systems and solid waste acceptance facilities and to determine interest rates on bonds issued by Sanitary Districts.

Approved April 22, 1970. Chapter 248, Laws 1970

S 542 To provide for the planning and financing of solid waste disposal systems and acceptance facilities under the joint authority of the State Department of Health and any county or Baltimore City.

Approved April 22, 1970. Chapter 249, Laws 1970

MARYLAND

S 543 — To require closing and covering of landfill refuse disposal systems in a certain manner, to require the posting of a bond by private operators.

Approved April 22, 1970. Chapter 251, Laws 1970

S 643 — To re-allocate the use of the proceeds of the Water Quality Loan of 1968, to increase the share allocated for construction grants for sewage treatment plants and facilities from $100,000,000 to $115,000,000 and decreasing the share allocated for loan for sewer facilities from $25,000,000 to $10,000,000; to permit State instrumentalities having express power to do so to petition for State grants.

Approved April 22, 1970. Chapter 246, Laws 1970

HJR 26 — To request the Governor to appoint a Governor's Commission on Environmental Education.

Approved April 21, 1970. Joint Resolution 17, Laws 1970

HJR 68 — To request the Congress to consider the possibility of operating Fort Detrick as a center for the study of environmental pollution.

Approved April 15, 1970

HJR 83 — To urge the Board of Public Works to ban further disposal of dredged spoil material off Kent Island.

Approved April 22, 1970. Joint Resolution 19, Laws 1970

H 279 — Appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1971.

Approved April 15, 1970

H 367 — To remove the limit on spending which may be required of the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission for control of pollution.

Approved April 15, 1970. Chapter 170, Laws 1970

H 506 — To require that the Department of Health shall not issue a land-filled refuge disposal system permit unless applicant has complied with all county zoning and land use requirements.

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MARYLAND

H 741 To permit the counties to apply for State grants permitting the Director of Forests and Parks to obligate the Department to reimburse the counties for the cost of acquiring lands.

Approved May 21, 1970

H 780 Relates to procedures and charges for water and sanitary sewer connections made by the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission in Prince George's and Montgomery Counties.

Approved April 22, 1970

H 882 To revise the Pollution Abatement subtitle and relating generally to the powers, duties and procedures of the Department of Water Resources and the Department of Natural Resources regarding water quality, the control, prevention and abatement of water pollution and the enforcement of water quality and abatement laws.

Approved April 22, 1970. Chapter 243, Laws 1970

H 912 To authorize the County Commissioners of Carroll County to acquire property by condemnation to be used for public water supply and sewage disposal purposes.

Approved April 15, 1970. Chapter 198, Laws 1970

H 1094 To authorize the Secretary of the Department of Natural Resources to prevent, control and abate pollution from abandoned mines; to acquire land occupied or degraded by abandoned mines; and authorizing the creation of a State debt in the aggregate principal amount of $5,000,000 to fund the capital cost of the program.

Approved April 22, 1970. Chapter 247, Laws 1970

H 1151 For the repeal of the sediment control program for the Patuxent River Watershed and enacting a sediment control program applicable statewide.

Approved April 22, 1970

H 1173 To provide for the control of the pollution of the Severn River as caused by sewage, establishing standards for sewage outflow from treatment plants in the watershed.

Approved April 22, 1970

MARYLAND

H 1275 To provide for the exclusion of the Town of Poolesville from the Washington Suburban Sanitary District.

Approved April 28, 1970

H 1459 To create a new commission to make ecological and hydrological studies of the Upper Pocomoke River and its watershed and surrounding areas.

Approved May 5, 1970. Chapter 650, Laws 1970

MASSACHUSETTS

S 627 To provide that corrective changes in determining the value of fisheries in inland waters of Massachusetts shall be made by the Director of the Division of Water Pollution Control.

Approved March 20, 1970. Chapter 136, Laws 1970

S 628 Relates to the injury and killing of fish and fish spawn in the inland waters of the Commonwealth, and requiring remuneration for fish so injured or killed and making corrective changes in the causes of fish fills.

Approved August 4, 1970

S 963 To investigate and study relative to the feasibility of establishing a program to reuse solid waste, by remanufacture or otherwise, and to study the advisability of imposing a tax on products creating the problem of solid waste disposal.

Approved July 16, 1970

S 977 To further regulate the membership and the powers and duties of the District Commission in water pollution abatement districts.

Approved March 25, 1970. Chapter 150, Laws 1970

S 1231 To order a special committee to be established to study State policy regarding aerospace technology and its effect on environmental control and medical technology.

Adopted January 21, 1970

S 1271 Authorizing the special commission established to make an investigation and study relative to the marine boundaries and resources of the Commonwealth to file reports from time to time.

Approved March 4, 1970. Chapter 9, Laws 1970

S 1284 (Reported on S 971, H 2558, H 2559, & H 2979) To strengthen the enforcement of the Massachusetts Clean Waters Act and to raise the fines for violations from not more than $100.00 to not more than $1,000 and require polluters to correct the polluted condition.

Approved August 19, 1970

MASSACHUSETTS

S 1292 To increase the penalty for the disposal of refuse or rubbish on or near highways or in or upon coastal or inland waters.

Approved March 20, 1970. Chapter 134, Laws 1970

S 1342 To control the handling and disposal of wastes hazardous to the public; to identify hazardous substances which should be handled and disposed of only by licensed hazardous waste disposers and specifying the manner said wastes may be handled or disposed of.

Approved August 18, 1970

S 1345 To establish the Greater Lawrence Sanitary District.

Approved May 18, 1970

S 1351 To further regulate and control the disposal of sewage into the waters of the Commonwealth and stipulate that no marina shall be operated without a license issued by the Division of Water Pollution Control. The marina must provide for adequate facilities for the collection, treatment and disposal of sewage or other sanitary waste.

Approved August 14, 1970

S 1545
S 972 To provide financial assistance for a water pollution abatement program for industrial wastes by providing loans for the construction of water pollution waste treatment facilities on such terms and conditions as the Department of Commerce and Development deems advisable. The Department may spend up to $25,000,000 to carry the plan out.

Approved August 24, 1970

S 1546 To provide for financial assistance to cities, towns and districts of the Comonwealth for water pollution purposes. This expenditure shall not exceed $250,000,000 as provided for in the General Laws.

Approved August 24, 1970

S 1592 To authorize the city of Malden to conduct, finance, and operate or lease, solid waste disposal facilities and provide for their use by other municipalities.

Approved September 1, 1970

MASSACHUSETTS

S 1594 To establish a Board of Certification of operators of waste water treatment facilities.

Approved August 26, 1970. Effective November 24, 1970

H 190 To provide additional funds for the Metropolitan District Commission to cover the cost of completing the sewerage program and certain additional work related thereto.

Approved August 24, 1970

H 3875 To propose a legislative amendment to the constitution providing that the right of the people to clear air, pure water, freedom from excessive and unnecessary noise, and the natural, scenic, historic, and esthetic qualities of their environment shall not be abridged.

Adopted August 5, 1970

H 5002 To appoint a special committee of the House to make an investigation and study of environmental and ecological problems facing the Commonwealth with particular emphasis on protecting natural resources.

Adopted February 11, 1970

H 5051 To authorize the Committee on Counties to sit during the recess of the general court to study, among other matters, proposed authority for counties to engage in projects minimizing air or water pollution.

Adopted June 8, 1970

H 5324
H 5618 To increase the scope of the special committee authorized to make an investigation and study of air pollution and its related matters.

Adopted May 26, 1970

H 5804 To authorize the Water Resources Commission to acquire water impoundment sites to meet the future water resource needs of the Commonwealth.

Approved August 25, 1970

H 5808 Resolution providing for an investigation by a special commission relative to the feasibility of creating a Connecticut River Basin District Council within the Commonwealth, certain matters pertaining to the Massachusetts portion of the Connecticut River Basin and related matters.

Approved July 28, 1970

MASSACHUSETTS

H 5924 To transfer duties and obligations relative to the construction, supervision and maintenance of dams and reservoirs from the respective county commissioners to the commissioner of public works.

Approved July 28, 1970

H 5953 To abate oil pollution in the waters of the Commonwealth and to require the posting of bonds on vessels entering any harbors of the Commonwealth.

Approved August 27, 1970

H 6082 Relates to increasing the scope of the special committee making an investigation and study of air pollution and other matters by including therein the subject matter of current House document numbered 2023 relative to reducing the cost to municipalities of the construction and operation of regional solid waste disposal facilities operated by the Department of Public Works.

Adopted August 6, 1970

H 6117 To direct the Legislative Research Council to study the subject-matter of current House document numbered 3875 of the current year, being a proposed Constitu- Amendment relative to the preservation of natural environment.

Adopted by Senate August 13, 1970, and House August 12, 1970

MICHIGAN

S 311 To amend the title of Act No. 40 of the Public Acts of 1956 codifying the law relating to the laying out of drainage districts and the construction and maintenance of drains and sewers.

Approved August 1, 1970

S 1205 To amend Section 1 of Act No. 329 of the Public Acts of 1966, entitled as amended "An Act to prevent the discharge of untreated or inadequately treated sewage or other liquid wastes into the waters of the State; to implement Act No. 76 of the Public Acts of 1968", as amended by Act No. 21 of the Public Acts of 1969, being Section 323.11 of the Compiled Laws of 1948.

Approved October 4, 1970

S 1300 To require drain commissioner to notify members of legislature what persons are appointed to boards of determination.

Approved July 23, 1970

S 1301 To fix the right of a hearing on determination of necessity for proposed drain if action is filed 10 days after drainage board's determination.

Approved July 23, 1970

S 1337 To provide for refuse management.

Approved June 23, 1970

S 1510 To authorize the establishing of a department and board of public works in counties; to prescribe the powers and duties of any county subject to the provisions of this act; and to authorize the issuance and payment of bonds; as amended by Act No. 63 of the Public Acts of 1967.

Approved December 3, 1970. Public Act 234, Laws 1970

HR 325 To extend the time of operation of the special committee established by House Resolution 6 of 1969, on Water Resources Planning.

Adopted March 19, 1970

MICHIGAN

H 2734 To regulate the disposal of oil and sewage from watercraft; and to prohibit the littering of waterways; providing fines for violations.

Approved August 3, 1970

H 3055 To authorize the attorney general, any political subdivision of the State, any agency or instrumentality of the State or of a political subdivision, any citizen, partnership, corporation, association, organization or other legal entity to act to protect the air, water and other natural resources from pollution. Those mentioned may maintain an action in the circuit court having jurisdiction where the alleged violation occurred for declaratory and equitable relief.

Approved July 27, 1970. Effective October 1, 1970

H 3991 To put the application procedure for State aid for sewers on a calendar or fiscal year basis; providing a point system for priority of local grants for the construction of collecting sewers.

Approved August 3, 1970

H 4021 To provide for settlements of disputes between the Water Resources Commission and persons charged with abatement of pollution; by hearings, stipulations and consent orders.

Approved August 25, 1970

H 4052 To require properties from which sanitary sewage emanates to be connetted to available public sanitary sewage collection facilities; act eliminates population limitation of 75,000 on counties.

Approved August 6, 1970

H 4270 To authorize the establishment of a system of designated wild, scenic and recreational rivers; to prescribe the powers and duties of the natural resources commission with respect thereto; to fund necessary study and comprehensive planning for the establishment of the system.

Approved December 3, 1970. Public Act 231, Laws 1970

H 4294 To provide for reclamation of lands subjected to the mining of metallic minerals; to control possible adverse environmental effects of mining and to preserve the natural resources and to encourage the planning of future land use.

Approved July 20, 1970

MISSISSIPPI

H 268 To provide that the State Oil and Gas Board see that the drilling, casing and plugging of wells is done in such a manner that no pollution of fresh water supplies occurs. The Board has the duty to formulate and enforce suitable and adequate rules and regulations subject to the approval of the Mississippi Air and Water Pollution Control Commission, governing the disposal of waste products resulting from the drilling, casing and plugging of wells.

Approved March 26, 1970

H 782 Any political subdivision taking advantage of water pollution abatement grants by virtue of the provisions of House Bill No. 650, Regular Session of 1970, is required to pledge a portion of its reimbursement from State sales tax. Effective April 6, 1970.

Approved April 6, 1970

NEW HAMPSHIRE

SJR 1-X — To establish a committee to study pollution problems from the handling of oil, gas and petroleum products within the territorial waters of the State of New Hampshire and recommend legislation to implement the same.

Approved April 28, 1970

S 21-X — To clarify the authority of the Water Supply and Pollution Control Commission to set standards of design and construction for sewerage and sewage or waste treatment systems; to provide for grants for the acquisition and construction of sewage disposal facilities by municipalities for the control of water pollution.

Approved May 4, 1970

H 8-X — To increase the amount authorized for State guarantee of municipal bonds for water pollution.

Approved April 28, 1970

NEW JERSEY

S 547 To provide for a "County Garbage Disposal Financing Law" by promoting the health and welfare of the citizens thereof by the proper collection, treatment and disposal of solid waste and other refuse matter on a regional or multi-unit basis.

Approved October 28, 1970

S 700 To amend the Tri-State Compact on water pollution, repealing section 6 of P.L. 1935, Ch. 321 (R.S. 32:18-20), to permit the Interstate Sanitation Commission under the Tri-State Compact to develop, after public hearing, and place in force classification of waters and effluent standards within the District.

Approved October 13, 1970

S 745 To create an Advisory Council on Solid Waste Management in the State Department of Environmental Protection with power to supervise solid waste collection and disposal facilities or operations.

Approved May 6, 1970. Chapter 39, Laws 1970

S 746 To authorize the Public Utility Commission to regulate the collection and disposal of solid waste under the "Solid Waste Utility Control Act".

Approved May 6, 1970. Chapter 40, Laws 1970

S 800 To make appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1971.

Approved June 15, 1970.

S 817 To increase the penalty for pollution of potable waters.

Approved June 8, 1970

A 505 To authorize the Commissioner of Conservation and Economic Development to require permits and to regulate dredging, filling, removing or otherwise altering or polluting coastal wetlands.

Approved November 5, 1970. Chapter 272, Laws 1970

A 519 To appropriate from the Water Conservation Fund to the Department of Environmental Protection the sum of $29 million for the development of future water supply facilities.

Approved July 17, 1970

NEW JERSEY

A 786 — To appropriate from the Water Conservation Fund for loans and grants for the planning and construction of sewage treatment facilities by local governmental units. Effective July 4, 1970.

Approved July 4, 1970

A 795 — To prohibit the dumping of industrial waste into any of the waters of this State except under conditions approved by the Department of Conservation and Economic Development.

Approved June 8, 1970

A 887 — To reorganize the Department of Conservation and Economic Development as the Department of Environmental Protection establishing within the Department a Division of Environmental Quality, a Division of Natural Resources, a Division of Fish, Game and Shell Fisheries, a Division of Water Policy and Supply and a Division of Parks, Forestry and Recreation. Department related to air pollution, water pollution, radiation protection, waters of this State, sewage, sewerage facilities, refuse disposal, and potable water supplies.

Approved April 22, 1970. Chapter 33, Laws 1970

A 978 — To permit any sewerage authority and any municipality to enter into contracts providing for or relating to collection, treatment and disposal of sewage and the cost and expenses of such.

Approved May 1, 1970. Chapter 37, Laws 1970

A 1160 — To authorize any local municipality to finance any facilities for the collection, treatment and disposal of sewage arising within a district.

Approved September 30, 1970

NEW MEXICO

S 21 To amend certain sections of Chapter 190, Laws of 1967. To increase the membership of the Water Quality Control Commission from six to seven members, consisting of the Director of the Health and Social Services, Director of the Department of Game and Fish, State Engineer, Secretary of the Oil Conservation Commission, Director of State Parks and Recreation, Director, Department of Agriculture, and a representative of the public to be appointed by the Governor for a term of four years. To authorize the District Court to impose penalties not to exceed $1,000 for each violation of the Water Quality Act or any regulation of the Commission, and to charge the person convicted of such violation with the cost of treating or cleaning up such polluted waters.

Approved March 2, 1970. Chapter 64, Laws 1970

NEW YORK

S 6847 — To permit the legislative body of any county to appropriate and extend money for collection and disposition of solid wastes therein.

Approved May 12, 1970. Chapter 793, Laws 1970

S 7173 — To change term sewerage disposal corporation to sewage - works corporation, in provisions for regulating their incorporation with consent of city, and to make general changes in procedure therefor, for approval of maps and specifications of proposed system and for cost of licensed professional engineering services, and right to levy taxes and assessments.

Approved May 18, 1970. Chapter 828, Laws 1970

S 7725 — To provide that any person who violates a determination or order of the Water Resources Commission shall be liable to a penalty of not less than $250 nor more than $2,500 for said violation and an additional penalty of not to exceed $500 for each day the violation continues.

Approved May 12, 1970. Chapter 758, Laws 1970

S 7816
A 4943 — To authorize sewer districts in Suffolk County to contract with other sewer districts or private corporations for collection, conveyance, treatment or disposal of sewage, drainage, and refuse.

Approved May 18, 1970

S 7977 — To amend the Public Authorities Law so as to increase from $30,000,000 to $75,000,000, the maximum amount of bonds of the Buffalo Sewer Authority which may be outstanding at any one time.

Approved May 14, 1970. Chapter 710, Laws 1970

S 8393 — Relates to contracts for construction of sewer systems.

Approved May 20, 1970

S 8570-A — To amend Public Health Law in relation to steam-electric generating facilities so as to require the issuance of a permit where thermal discharge is concerned.

Approved May 8, 1970

NEW YORK

A 2955
S 6846

To prescribe certain conditions which must be met before person may store in bulk above ground surface and outside of securely locked portion of permanent building, more than 1,000 gallons of any liquid, which if released would be likely to contribute substantially to a condition in contravention of standards adopted for any waters of State.

Approved May 12, 1970. Chapter 702, Laws 1970

A 4571

To amend the Navigation Law to make it unlawful to discharge into the waters of Lake George and Greenwood Lake any drainage of waste water into those waters.

Approved May 8, 1970

A 5182

To prohibit the sale of soap or detergent unless wrapper or container is plainly labeled as to its phosphate content with analysis calculated as tri-sodium phosphate.

Approved May 19, 1970

A 5517

To amend the Conservation Law to permit the sale of water by Hudson River - Black River regulating district to all of the counties within such district.

Approved April 24, 1970

A 5570
S 8274

To provide that if subdivision plat in Suffolk County is not within county sewer district, and county health department shall have directed that disposal of sewage be provided for by communal sewerage system, county sewer agency shall determine the means and method by which such system shall be best provided.

Approved May 18, 1970

A 5927

To authorize governing body of each county to establish County Environmental Management Council which shall investigate and recommend to the county governing body ecologically sound methods of planning the use of the counties resources.

Approved May 18, 1970

NEW YORK

A 5980 To provide State aid to municipalities for planning the construction or improvement of solid waste disposal facilities.

Approved May 8, 1970

A 5984 To establish the Environmental Conservation Law creating a Department of Environmental Conservation, a State Environmental Board, a Council of Environmental Advisers and an Office of Parks and Recreation in the Executive Department.

Approved April 22, 1970

A 6192 To amend the Navigation Law, to require that marina facilities for unloading and disposal of sewage from holding tanks of water craft shall be approved by either local or State health department.

Approved May 12, 1970

A 6824 To advance State moneys to Cicero, Onondago County to complete Cicero Lake Shore Sanitary District Water Pollution Control Project.

Approved May 20, 1970

OHIO

S 447 To enlarge the power and duties of the Ohio Water Development Authority to include solid waste facilities, providing for financing the acquisition and construction of such projects by the issuance of solid waste revenue bonds and notes of the State. Effective date July 13, 1970.

Approved April 12, 1970

S 465 To ensure that the $100,000,000 appropriated to the Ohio Water Development Authority be available to participate in the financing of those future projects which will also be eligible for federal grants under Section 8 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act.

Approved April 12, 1970

S 466 An Act to amend sections 727.28, 6117.31, 6117.33, 6121.01, 6121.04 and 6121.13 of the Revised Code to expedite the financing and construction procedures for water development projects.

Approved April 2, 1970

HJR 49 To support the Legislative Commission on Lake Erie with regard to water pollution control and designating ten members to represent Ohio on the Commission.

Adopted May 20, 1970

HR 190 To request a study by the Legislative Service Commission on ways to improve water and air pollution control and solid waste disposal.

Adopted June 3, 1970

OKLAHOMA

S 531 To provide real property acquired but not limited to a water or conservation district, flood control district, levee or waterway improvement district during certain times of the year shall, from date of recording evidence or public's title be relieved of all ad valorem taxes in certain instances.

Approved April 23, 1970

H 1499 To provide for and regulate the collection and disposal of solid wastes. To create a Solid Waste Management Advisory Committee of eleven members to be appointed by the Governor. To provide for an injunction to restrain violations of this Act and to prescribe penalties for such violation.

Approved March 17, 1970

PENNSYLVANIA

S 247 Relates to statutory laws; prescribing an enacting clause for statutes; fixing the effective date and time of statutes hereafter enacted; providing for notice of application for local and special legislation.

Approved February 18, 1970

S 517 To provide for the licensing of water well drillers; prevention of pollution of underground waters; conferring powers and imposing duties on the Department of Mines and Mineral Industries.

Approved June 22, 1970

S 1118 To empower counties to charge and collect from owners of and water users in property served thereby for the use of certain sewers, sewerage systems and sewage treatment works.

Approved June 22, 1970

S 1281 To repeal the act regulating waste disposal areas in certain parts of the Commonwealth; providing for permits; placing duties upon the Bureau of Mines and imposing penalties.

Approved July 24, 1970

H 1315 To require that abutting property owners of a water supply system connect with water supply systems.

Approved April 22, 1970

H 1353 To revise the model Clean Streams Law so that State has power to regulate all potential sources of pollution such as private industrial waste lagoons; regulate the discharge of industrial wastes into public sewer systems; establish additional authority over municipal sewage; institute contempt proceedings against municipal officials who fail to comply with a court order; control radiation pollution caused by radioactive substances such as those used in research labs or atomic power plants; a Clean Water Fund would be created from civil penalties and fines and would be used for water pollution control projects; penalties have been strengthened so that court injunctions are easier to obtain and penalties are increased; the Sanitary Water Board has been empowered to assess civil penalties of up to $10,000 for violation.

Approved July 31, 1970. Effective July 31, 1970

PENNSYLVANIA

H 1471 To appropriate $200,000 to the Department of Health for the period ending June 30, 1970. Includes $100,000 for reimbursement to municipalities toward the costs incurred by them in the enforcement of the Act of January 24, 1966 (P.L. 1535), the "Pennsylvania Sewage Facilities Act;" and $100,000 for grants to counties, municipalities and authorities to assist them in preparing official plans for sewage systems as required by the "Pennsylvania Sewage Facilities Act."

Approved March 20, 1970

H 1472 To appropriate the sum of $100,000 to the Department of Health for grants to counties, municipalities and authorities to assist them in preparing official plans for solid waste disposal systems.

Approved March 19, 1970

H 1968 To amend the Administrative Code of 1929, authorizing the Water and Power Resources Board to sell or lease sand, gravel and minerals in streams or bodies of water.

Approved July 31, 1970

H 2315 To appropriate money to the Department of Health to carry out the provisions of the "Pennsylvania Solid Waste Management Act".

Approved July 22, 1970

H 829 To authorize the Department of Property and Supplies, with the approval of the Governor and the Department of Forests and Waters to grant a flowage easement to the United States of America over lands in Clinton County.

Approved November 25, 1970

PUERTO RICO

Law No. 9 To establish an Environmental Policy and Board to establish public policy in environmental matters. The Board of Environmental Quality shall consist of the Secretary of Public Works, the Secretary of Agriculture, the President of the Planning Board and three members appointed by the Governor. Powers of other agencies are transferred to the Board, and penalties for violations of the law are provided.

Effective July 1, 1970

H 697 To authorize issuance of bonds for $93,000,000 a portion of which is to be used for aqueduct and sewer facilities.

Approved May 20, 1970

RHODE ISLAND

S 317 To authorize the town of East Greenwich to plan, acquire, construct, operate and maintain a sewage disposal system and to issue bonds in an amount not exceeding $2,000,000.

Approved May 7, 1970

S 815 To provide for the construction or improvement of sewage collection, treatment and disposal facilities and authorizing the issue of $3,000,000 bonds.

Approved May 7, 1970

S 820 To authorize the town of East Greenwich to plan, construct, etc., a sewage disposal system.

Approved May 7, 1970

H 1372 To authorize the New England Interstate Water Pollution Commission to develop standards for the training, education and experience requirements for operating personnel necessary to the proper operation of sewage and other waste treatment plants. The Commission is further authorized to administer programs of training and certification for such personnel, and to make classifications. The State shall accept any certificate issued by the Commission as conclusive evidence that the holder has the ability needed for certification. Although the director of the Department of Health may impose and administer other certification requirements, reexamination of the applicant for a certificate with respect to his training, education or experience qualifications shall not be administered. Effective March 19, 1970.

Approved March 19, 1970. Chapter 26, Laws 1970

H 1373 To forbid any city or town to grant a permit to any person to construct or equip any building or structure, the use of which will result in the production of sewage as defined in Chapter 46-12 of the general laws, until the applicant for the permit has obtained the written approval of the Director of Health of the system or means he intends to install to dispose of such sewage. This provision does not apply when such sewage is to be discharged into a municipal sanitary sewer system. Effective March 19, 1970.

Approved March 19, 1970

H 1375 To amend the Water Pollution Statutes by clarifying certain sections and removing conflicts.

Approved April 7, 1970. Chapter 48, Laws 1970

RHODE ISLAND

H 1475 General appropriation for fiscal year ending June 30, 1971, including funds for pollution control.

Approved May 7, 1970

H 1596 To establish a Governor's Council of Environmental Quality whose duty it shall be to provide current and long-term trends in the quality of our State environment.

Approved May 7, 1970

H 1887 To authorize the town of Lincoln to issue bonds to an amount not exceeding $860,000 from time to time for extending and improving the water system. The bonds of each shall mature in annual installments of principal, the first installment to be not later than three years, and the last installment not later than thirty years after the date of the bonds. This Act shall be effective upon the approval of the Act by a majority of those voting on the question at the April 21 election.

Approved March 23, 1970

H 1953 Relates to public disclosure of persons found to be violating any of the air and water pollution laws.

Approved May 7, 1970

H 2057 To authorize the city of Warwick to issue bonds for sewer purposes.

Approved May 7, 1970

H 2102 To authorize the Water Resources Board to issue revenue bonds for water supply purposes.

Approved May 7, 1970

H 2135 To authorize the town of Smithfield to plan and construct sewage works.

Approved May 7, 1970

H 2242 To authorize the city of Pawtucket to acquire land to enlarge their reservoir system to meet water needs for the City of Pawtucket and surrounding areas.

Approved April 23, 1970

Rhode Island.

H 2279 General appropriation bill including pollution control.

Approved March 31, 1970

H 2354 To create a sewer authority for the town of Coventry.

Approved May 7, 1970

H 2365 To memorialize Congress to initiate a 90-10 sewer program similar to the 90-10 existing highway programs.

Approved May 7, 1970

H 2615 Relates to the powers of municipalities in connection with sewer facilities, so as to further provide for collection of sewer service charges.

Approved May 1, 1970

H 2666 To regulate the construction, alteration and servicing septic tanks and sewerage systems in McCormick County, to provide penalties for violations.

Approved April 23, 1970

SOUTH CAROLINA

S 555 To provide for the creation of the Pollution Control Authority with power to issue permits and all other matters relating to procedure and prepare and develop a comprehensive program for the abatement, control and prevention of air and water pollution. To cooperate with the governments of the U. S. and other States in the formulation of interstate compacts. The State Board of Health shall continue to exercise its right to prevent or abate nuisances.

Approved May 1, 1970

S 669 A concurrent resolution to authorize the payment of necessary expenses of the Committee to study Water Resources of the State to enable it to compile its study.

Adopted April 8, 1970

S 775
S 776 To regulate the construction, alteration and servicing of septic tanks and sewerage systems in Anderson and Oconee Counties and to provide penalties for violations.

Approved April 28 and May 1, 1970

H 2184 To provide for the sale of the entire water distribution system, including all assets of Limestone Rural Community Water District of Orangeburg County for the price of $120,765.56, and to provide for the dissolution of the district after distribution of proceeds of the sale.

Approved February 4, 1970

H 2279 General appropriation bill including pollution control.

Approved March 31, 1970

H 2615 Relates to the powers of municipalities in connection with sewer facilities, so as to further provide for collection of sewer service charges.

Approved May 1, 1970

H 2666 To regulate the construction, alteration and servicing of septic tanks and sewerage systems in McCormick County, and to provide penalties for violations.

Approved April 23, 1970

H 2678 To regulate the construction, alteration and servicing of septic tanks and sewerage systems in Abbeville County, and to provide penalties for violations.

Approved April 15, 1970

SOUTH CAROLINA

H 2749 Relates to Greenville County Sewer Authority, so as to grant authority to impose and collect reasonable sewer service charges upon manufacturing, industrial or commercial establishments which discharge industrial wastes into lines of the authority and to authorize it to require pretreatment of industrial wastes where necessary or desirable.

Approved April 23, 1970

H 2897 To provide that the penalty for the unlawful discharge of untreated sewage into the tidal waters of Charleston County shall not take effect as to political entities until July 1, 1971.

Approved May 22, 1970

TENNESSEE

S 1238 "Sanitary Land Fill Areas Act." To regulate and control the location of sanitary land fill areas for counties having a population between 250,000 and 300,000. A fine of not less than $10 nor more than $100 shall be imposed upon any person violating any of the provisions of this Act.

Approved February 16, 1970. Chapter 417, Laws 1970

S 1426 An Act to amend the Scenic Rivers Act of 1968 relative to the boundaries for Class I rivers, namely gorge and swamp rivers. The Hatchie River has been added to the list of Class I Natural River Areas as a swamp river.

Approved February 18, 1970. Chapter 437, Laws 1970

S 1840 "Hamilton County Regional Disposal Authority Act." To authorize Hamilton County to create the Hamilton County Regional Disposal Authority, and to authorize such county to acquire, construct, operate and maintain self-financing projects embracing the collecting and disposal of solid waste.

Approved March 2, 1970. Chapter 317, Private Laws 1970

H 1141 To appoint two additional members to the Tennessee Stream Pollution Control Board, and to provide additional powers.

Approved March 2, 1970. Chapter 574, Public Laws 1970

H 1212 To amend Title 67, Chapter 5 of the Tennessee Code to exempt from taxation all equipment, machinery, structures, or other property or portion thereof used primarily for the abatement and control of air and water pollution, providing it meets the standards set by the Tennessee Department of Public Health.

Approved March 2, 1970. Chapter 576, Laws 1970

H 1240 To make appropriations for expenses of State Government for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1970. Includes $238,700 to the Division of Water Resources and $2,280,000 to the Department of Public Health to be used to match federal and local funds for the construction of sewage treatment works.

Approved February 27, 1970. Chapter 512, Public Laws 1970

TENNESSEE

H 1523 To authorize the State to issue and sell general obligation bonds in an amount not to exceed $15,800,000 for the purpose of providing State financial assistance in construction of sewage treatment works of counties, incorporated cities and towns and special districts.

Approved February 27, 1970. Chapter 514, Laws 1970

H 1814 To amend Title 53, Chapter 20 of the Tennessee Code to authorize the State to make grants to municipalities for the construction of sewage treatment works.

Approved February 27, 1970. Chapter 521, Public Laws 1970

UTAH

S 4 To amend Section 17 of the Utah Code relating to water and sewer improvement districts and providing elections for the issuance of bonds.

Approved February 10, 1970

VERMONT

S 163 To create an agency of government to be known as the Agency of Environmental Conservation which will combine some of the functions now performed by several State departments, New agency will have a Division of Protection and Environmental Board.

Approved April 4, 1970

S 165 To revise the present water pollution laws to provide for effective enforcement through increased penalties, and a requirement for discharge permits.

Approved April 4, 1970

HJR 74 To urge the Vermont congressional delegation to make every effort to retain the provisions of Public Law 566 and to vigorously oppose any and all efforts to decrease the scope and effectiveness of the Law. Through federal, State and local cooperation, Public Law 566 has made possible the building of 964 small watershed dams and has in the planning stage 1531 more projects. The delegation has been further urged to place more stress on constructing dams on scenic rivers and streams only as a last resort, and only when it can be definitely shown that alternative practices are not feasible.

Approved April 1, 1970

H 309 To amend and add sections of V.S.A. relating to water resources and protection of navigable waters and shorelines by the Vermont Water Resources Board.

Approved April 9, 1970

H 399 To prohibit the littering of lands of others, both public and private and calling for a fine for violations; to provide for sanitary land fills.

Approved April 9, 1970

H 441 To appropriate capital funds for various purposes and to authorize issuance of bonds therefor.

Approved April 9, 1970

VIRGINIA

S 117 Relates to the general powers of counties, cities and towns to acquire public utilities by condemnation; prevention of pollution of water.

Approved April 4, 1970. Chapter 565, Laws 1970

S 162 Relates to the authorization of certain counties to adopt regulations as to water, sewer and other facilities in subdivisions.

Approved April 4, 1970. Chapter 572, Laws 1970

S 283 Relates to definitions under the Virginia Water and Sewer Authorities Act, hearing and referendum, powers of water and sewer authorities, issuance of revenue bonds and to sewer connections.

Approved April 5, 1970

S 298 To amend the Code of Virginia, relating to the powers of authorities created under the Virginia Water and Sewer Authorities Act, changes the conditions under which each authority may issue revenue bonds of the authority. Effective June 26, 1970.

Approved April 2, 1970

S 300 No city which owns or controls a water works system and which is authorized by its charter to sell or supply water to persons, firms or industries residing or located outside of its city limits shall be permitted to sell, supply or dispose of its water to the inhabitants, firms, corporations or industries of any other city, without the consent of the latter city. Effective June 26, 1970.

Approved June 26, 1970

S 398 Regulations have been established governning the operation of the Conservation, Small Watersheds Flood Control and Area Development Fund. The administrative control of the Fund and the responsibility for the administration of the provisions of this Act regarding the Fund's operation have been vested in the Virginia Soil and Water Conservation Commission. Effective June 26, 1970.

Approved June 26, 1970

VIRGINIA

H 27 To add to the Code of Virginia a provision for the identification, preservation, and protection of certain rivers or sections of rivers which for their scenic values should be included in the Virginia Scenic River System. In addition to other duties already conferred on the Commission of Outdoor Recreation, the Commission shall make studies and recommend to the Governor and to the General Assembly any rivers it considers should be designated as part of the Scenic River System. The Commission has the authority to acquire in the name of the Commonwealth, either by gift or purchase, any real property or interest therein which the Commission considers necessary or desirable for the protection of any scenic river, and to transfer such property to other State agencies, provided that the Commission may not exercise the right of eminent domain in acquiring any such property or interest. Effective June 26, 1970.

Approved April 4, 1970

H 57 To amend the Code of Virginia relating to the State Water Control Law and the State Water Control Board, and the regulation of sewage discharges and pollution from boats; offenses and penalties; and to exercise control over the quality of all State waters and to administer and enforce laws as well as to issue certificates for the discharge of sewage, industrial wastes and other wastes.

Approved April 5, 1970. Chapter 638, Laws 1970

H 139 All incorporated towns within any county of this State having a soil and water conservation district shall be included in and become a part of a soil and water conservation district. Procedures have been designated for the modification and creation of districts, the relocation of district boundaries, and the powers and duties of the districts. Additional duties have been conferred upon the Virginia Soil and Water Conservation Commission. Effective June 26, 1970.

Approved June 26, 1970

H 167 Relates to the creation of the Board for Certification of Operators of Water and Wastewater Works.

Approved April 6, 1970. Chapter 768, Laws 1970

H 170 The casting, throwing or dumping of any garbage, refuse, dead animals, trash, cartons, bottles, containers, boxes, lumber, timber, or other solid waste, except fish or crab bait, into any of the waters of the State, shall be punishable by a fine of up to $100 or thirty days in jail, or both. Effective June 26, 1970.

Approved April 4, 1970. Chapter 486, Laws 1970

VIRGINIA

H 171 To authorize the State Board of Health to regulate and prescribe the method or methods of sewage disposal and solid waste disposal, and requiring each county and city to submit certain plans.

Approved April 5, 1970. Chapter 645, Laws 1970

H 406 Approval was given on April 3, 1970, to an Act enabling the Commonwealth of Virginia to enter into and become a party to the Potomac River Basin Compact. The Compact shall become effective thirty days after its enactment by the legislatures of Maryland, Pennsylvania, Virginia and West Virginia, and by the Congress on behalf of the United States and the District of Columbia.

Approved April 3, 1970. Chapter 464, Laws 1970

H 772 To prohibit the discharge of any petroleum products into such waters in an amount sufficient to cause damage to aquatic life and authorizing action by the State Water Control Board against the person causing or permitting such discharges.

Approved April 5, 1970

H 801 To provide for inspection and approval of certain installations not regulated pursuant to the Utility Facilities Act.

Approved April 1, 1970

H 1094 To create the Cheaspeake Water Authority with power to operate and manage a water system, water mains and other related facilities within its governing area. The authority has the power to provide by resolution for the issuance of revenue bonds to pay all or any part of the cost incurred in meeting its functions. The Authority has been authorized to fix, revise and charge for the use of the services it furnishes and contact with other persons or corporations desiring the use of such services. Effective June 26, 1970.

Approved June 26, 1970

WASHINGTON

S 1-XX Creates a Department of Ecology and prescribes its powers, duties and functions; creates a seven member Ecological Commission to be appointed by the Governor who shall have a general knowledge and interest in environmental matters; abolishes certain State agencies and transfers certain powers, duties and functions of existing State agencies to the Department of Ecology.

Approved February 23, 1970. Chapter 62, Laws 1970

S 2-XX An Act relating to pollution control violations and hearings before the Water Pollution Control Commission.

Approved February 23, 1970. Chapter 41, Laws 1970

H 51-XX To prohibit intentional or negligent discharge of oil into State waters from any ship or fixed or mobile facility or installation located offshore or onshore whether publicly or privately operated, except under certain circumstances. Requires persons discharging oil in violation of this Act to collect and remove such oil, or take action for its containment, treatment and dispersal.

Approved February 23, 1970. Chapter 88, Laws 1970

S 52-XX An Act repealing and amending various laws relating to State Government for the purpose of creating a single department to be known as the Department of Social and Health Services. To provide that the Department and the State Board of Health shall consult with the Water Pollution Control Commission and the State Air Pollution Control Board in order that to the fullest extent possible, agencies concerned with the preservation of life and health and agencies concerned with protection of the environment may integrate their efforts and endorse policies in common.

Approved February 23, 1970. Chapter 18, Laws 1970

S 61-XX To authorize counties to establish, acquire, develop, construct, and improve open space, park, recreation and community facilities, public health and safety facilities and storm water control facilities. To authorize counties to issue general obligation bonds for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this Act.

Approved February 20, 1970. Chapter 30, Laws 1970

WEST VIRGINIA

SCR 49 Expressing to the United States House of Representatives the support of the Legislature of West Virginia for a study of a proposed multipurpose reservoir on the Gauley River near Swiss, Nicholas County, West Virginia.

Adopted February 11, 1970

HCR 22 To oppose the approval of construction of water storage facilities on the New River in the State of North Carolina and Virginia pending further comprehensive studies.

Adopted January 31, 1970

HCR 80 Relating to making a study of all waters within the State for the purpose of determining how to conserve, utilize, control and derive maximum benefit therefrom; and to making studies relating to highway safety, uniform consumer credit code, the tax structure and mine safety.

Adopted February 11, 1970

WISCONSIN

S 780 Amends certain sections of the Wisconsin statutes and certain laws enacted during the 1969 legislative session.

Approved February 3, 1970. Chapter 392, Laws 1969

A 416 To alter statutes providing for State assistance to municipalities for the cost of water pollution abatement facilities. The principle change is to permit the State to advance moneys in anticipation of Federal reimbursement to meet the State's water quality standards. To appropriate $33,400,000 to the Department of Natural Resources to acquire, construct, develop, enlarge or improve water pollution abatement facilities. To coordinate and implement a comprehensive long-range plan to acquire, maintain and develop a comprehensive system of State and local outdoor recreational facilities.

Approved January 15, 1970. Chapter 353, Laws 1969

A 417 To prohibit operation of boat equipped with toilet on any outlying waters of the State unless the toilet wastes are retained for shore disposal by means of facilities constructed and operated in accordance with rules adopted by the Department of Health and Social Services. Exempts boats engaged in international or interstate commerce.

Approved February 18, 1970. Chapter 471, Laws 1969

A 1086 An Act making technical and procedural changes in certain sections of Chapters 75 and 327 laws of 1967 (the executive branch reorganization acts).

Approved December 2, 1969. Chapter 276, Laws 1969

A 1196 To make certain corrections and revisions in the statutes.

Approved February 11, 1970